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Avista Requests to Resume Natural Gas Energy Efficiency Programs in Idaho

Price adjustment would take effect Jan. 1, 2016

SPOKANE, Wash. Nov. 13, 2015, 1:30 p.m. PST: Avista filed an application with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (IPUC or Commission) requesting to resume natural gas energy efficiency programs and an increase to Schedule 191, "Energy Efficiency Rider Adjustment."

Schedule 191 is designed to fund the programs and recover the costs incurred by Avista associated with providing natural gas energy efficiency services to customers. The estimated annual revenue change associated with this filing is an increase of approximately \$1.25 million for natural gas Schedule 191, or an increase of 1.7 percent in overall billed rates, to be effective Jan. 1, 2016.

If the request is approved, Avista residential customers using an average of 61 therms per month could expect their bill to increase by \$1.11, beginning Jan. 1, 2016.

Rate Application Procedure

Avista's application is a proposal, subject to public review and a Commission decision. A copy of the application is available for public review at the offices and websites of both the Commission and Avista (reference AVU-G-15-03). The Commission will conduct a comprehensive review of Avista's application and will seek public input on the request. If you would like to submit comments on this proposed increase, you can do so by going to the Commission website at www.puc.idaho.gov or mailing comments to:

Idaho PUC
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0074

You may subscribe to the Commission's RSS feed to receive periodic updates about the case.

More Information

For more information about the proposed increase, comfort level billing, conservation tips, energy assistance programs, and bill payment plans, visit www.avistautilities.com or call 1-800-227-9187.

About Avista Corp.

Avista Corp. is an energy company involved in the production, transmission and distribution of energy as well as other energy-related businesses. Avista Utilities is our operating division that provides electric service to 369,000 customers and natural gas to 329,000 customers. Its service territory covers 30,000 square miles in eastern Washington, northern Idaho and parts of

southern and eastern Oregon, with a population of 1.6 million. Alaska Energy and Resources Company is an Avista subsidiary that provides retail electric service in the city and borough of Juneau, Alaska, through its subsidiary Alaska Electric Light and Power Company. Avista stock is traded under the ticker symbol "AVA." For more information about Avista, please visit www.avistacorp.com.

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